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1. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE HAD ITS FINAL MEETING ON APRIL 15. REPORT WAS ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. WE ANTICIPATE NO CHALLENGE TO ANY CREDENTIALS IN PLENARY. REPORT WILL BE TAKEN UP BY PLENARY OF CONFERENCE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 16.

2. REPORT DOES, HOWEVER, NOTE RESERVATIONS TO CREDENTIALS OF GVN, KHMER, AND SOUTH AFRICA BY CZECHOSLOVAKIA, SENEGAL, AND MADAGASCAR. IN ADDITION, ON APRIL 15, IRAQ SUPPORTED THESE AND ADDED RESERVATIONS TO CREDENTIALS OF ISRAEL. AUSTRALIA, NICARAGUA, AND US INSERTED BALANCING PARA SAYING THEY HAD NO RESERVATIONS AND REJECTED THOSE MADE. THAILAND JOINED IN SAYING THAT COMMITTEE SHOULD NOT LOOK AT POLITICAL LEGITIMACY

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OF GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED. CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND

US PUT IN ADDITIONAL PARAS BALANCING EACH OTHER RE
CZECH RESERVATIONS ON GVN CREDENTIALS.

3. LIBERIAN CREDENTIALS RECEIVED. ONLY HAITIAN
AND GABONESE CREDENTIALS NOT RECEIVED AS OF APRIL 15.
CREDENTIALS OF THESE TWO DELS ACCEPTED PROVISIONALLY
(AS INDICATED PARA 4 OF GENEVA 2430) BY CREDENTIALS
COMMITTEE, AND WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THERE WILL BE
NO CHALLENGE TO HAITIAN CREDENTIALS IN PLENARY. DALE

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